

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) Inflatable brace for stabilizing the ankle, comprising two lateral shells ~~(2, 3)~~ with which are associated, respectively, two bags ~~(12, 13)~~ which are inflatable with air and which are intended to bear, respectively, on the right and left sides of an ankle, said bags ~~(12, 13)~~ being provided with means ~~(17, 18, 19)~~ for their inflation, and means of the strap type ~~(4 to 7)~~ being provided to connect the two shells ~~(2, 3)~~ and permit tightening of the brace ~~(1)~~ around an ankle, characterized in that the means of inflation ~~(17, 18, 19)~~ of the two inflatable bags ~~(12, 13)~~, respectively right and left, are common to these two bags ~~(12, 13)~~.
2. (Currently Amended) Ankle brace according to Claim 1, characterized in that the common means of inflation comprise two flexible inflation conduits ~~(17, 18)~~ which start, respectively, from the upper parts of the two bags ~~(12, 13)~~ and which converge, in a V-shaped configuration, towards a common inflation valve ~~(19)~~ situated between the two bags ~~(12, 13)~~.
3. (Currently Amended) Ankle brace according to Claim 2, characterized in that the two flexible conduits ~~(17, 18)~~ and the inflation valve ~~(19)~~ are situated in the front upper part of the brace ~~(1)~~.

4. (Currently Amended) Ankle brace according to Claim 2-~~or 3~~, characterized in that the walls of the flexible inflation conduits (~~17, 18~~) are formed directly by continuations of the two opposite walls (~~14, 15~~) of the two inflatable bags (~~12, 13~~).
5. (Currently Amended) Ankle brace according to ~~any one of Claims 2 to 4~~claim 2, characterized in that the inflation valve (~~19~~) is continued by a tongue (~~20~~) forming a loop which can be passed through by one of the straps (~~4, 5~~) for tightening the brace (~~1~~).
6. (Currently Amended) Ankle brace according to ~~any one of Claims 1 to 5~~claim 1, characterized in that each of the two inflatable bags (~~12, 13~~) has, at least in its upper half, a zone comprising points and/or lines of connection (~~21~~) between its two opposite walls (~~14, 15~~), in such a way as to limit, in this zone, the degree of inflation of each bag (~~12, 13~~).
7. (Currently Amended) Ankle brace according to Claim 6, characterized in that said zone is provided with rectilinear and substantially parallel weld seams (~~21~~) which connect the two opposite walls (~~14, 15~~) of the bag (~~12, 13~~).
8. (Currently Amended) Ankle brace according to ~~any one of Claims 1 to 7~~claim 1, characterized in that each inflatable bag (~~12, 13~~) comprises, in its lower half and on the inner side, a small auxiliary bag (~~22~~) which is open in its upper part and is intended for the introduction of removable cushions (~~23, 24~~), in particular of foam or gel.